

REMARKS

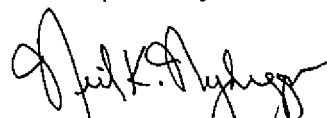
In the Office Action claims 1-14 have been finally rejected for being unpatentable over Lalonde et al. (US 6283959), Benson (US 4082096), Dobak, III (US 6482226) and further in view of Kudaravalli et al. (US 6471694). Further, claims 15-21 have been allowed.

In response to the Office Action, claims 1-14 are canceled. Allowed claims 15-21 remain pending.

As a result of the cancellation of claims 1-14, Applicant believes that the application is now in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early notice of allowance is respectfully requested. The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at 619-688-1300 for any reason that would advance the instant application to issue.

Dated this 15th day of June, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,



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